The City of Clewiston Special Magistrate held its regular meeting in the city hall commission chambers, 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, Florida, on Wednesday, April 16, 2014. The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Magistrate Watt. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### Attendance

Magistrate present:

James L. Watt

Personnel present:

Chad Pelham, Travis Reese, Debra Towner

Visitor(s) present:

Steve Imhoff, James Richard McVitty

Special Magistrate Watt briefly summarized the purpose of the hearing.

Approval of the minutes from October 16, 2013 & January 15, 2014: Let the record show an accurate reflection of the proceedings as presented.

Swearing in of all parties intending to present testimony.

Additions/deletions to agenda: Mr. Reese stated that there were none.

### Case No. 13-0290:

Magistrate Watt announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive input from all interested parties regarding case number 13-0290, for the property located at 522 East Haiti Avenue, owners of record, Gary & Tabitha Yebba.

Mr. Reese stated that the violation is a business operating without a local business tax receipt and proper notice was given. The owner nor an agent was present at the meeting.

The City of Clewiston recommended and Mr. Watt ruled that Mr. & Mrs. Yebba evict the current tenant within thirty (30) days (May 16, 2014). The City of Clewiston also recommended and Mr. Watt ruled that a fine of \$150.00 be levied for the time from date of violation (12/10/13) to today (04/16/14) as well as a fine of \$25.00 per day until the property is in compliance.

# Case No. 14-0012:

Magistrate Watt announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive input from all interested parties regarding case number 14-0012, for the property located at 343 East Sugarland Hwy., owner of record, Govo Realty LLC.

Mr. Reese stated that the violation is a Fire Safety issue with multiple businesses and proper notice was given. The owner nor an agent was present at the meeting.

The City of Clewiston recommended and Mr. Watt ruled that Govo Realty LLC has thirty (30) days to submit required paperwork for fire separation. The City of Clewiston also recommended and Mr. Watt ruled that a fine of \$150.00 be levied for the time from date of violation (01/27/14) to today (04/16/14) as well as a fine of \$100.00 per day until a permit has been applied for by a licensed contractor, accepted and inspected by the inspector.

## Red light camera cases

Mr. Watt stated that there are two (2) red light camera cases on the docket.

 $1^{st}$  case against Helen K. McVitty is discussed. Her husband stated that he was the one driving and Mr. Watt ruled to reduce fine to \$40. The  $2^{nd}$  case will be continued because Shirley Ann Williams was not present.

Magistrate Watt closed the public hearing after receiving no further comments, written or oral, from the audience or the board.

### Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 2:43 p.m.

James Watt, Special Magistrate